

CHAPTER 3

DELINEATED STUDY AREAS

One of the first steps in the preparation of this study was to divide the fringe area into five "study areas" or "statistical units". This was done to provide information in a usable form. With information presented in this manner, the Town Council may decide upon annexation on an area-by-area basis.

The areas selected for study purposes can be seen on Map 1. The areas are large enough in size to include all the developed land contiguous to the existing corporate limits. Those areas delineated for study purposes meet the legal requirements for annexation that will be examined in greater detail in Chapter 4. The areas outlined are not thought of as final. When actual annexation takes place, each one may be broken down into smaller areas if the Town Council so chooses.

The criteria used in delineating study areas for annexation are basically those required by the State -- topographic features and streets. In addition to these, the boundaries were drawn according to interest shown by the town in the area, land use patterns, community identification, and approximate lot lines. See Map 1 for study areas. Although no land survey was made of each study area, the following briefly describes the geographic location of each area in relationship to the town.